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(Our Case No. 00-1086-G)

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Serial No.	10/633,878	Examiner: TBA
Filed:	August 4, 2003	Group Art Unit: 1645
For:	Method of Detection By Enhancement of Silver Staining	Confirmation No.: 5233

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